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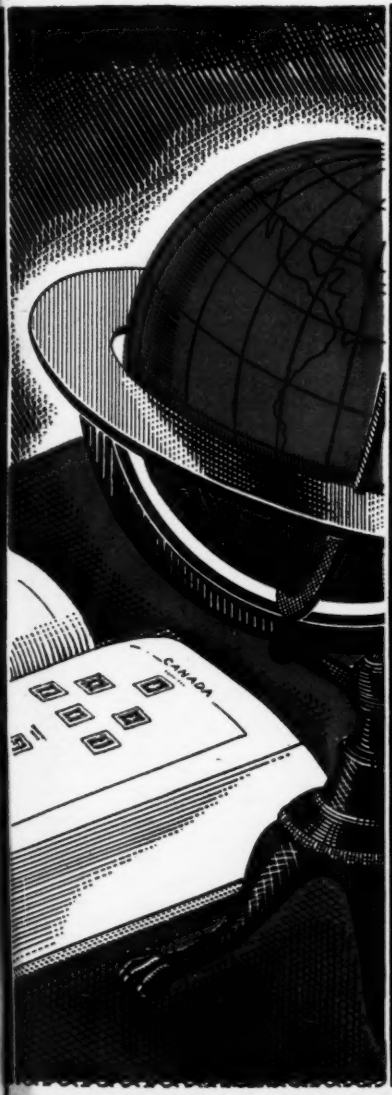

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Truth Not Welcome

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Last year we and other papers printed an article which stated the 2c Panama-Pacific "lake shade" was only a color changeling which could be duplicated by heat applied to a normal stamp. This was proven and in such a manner any open minded person would have been convinced. An owner of some of these stamps recently used space in a society organ to attack not only the article but the authors, and in such a manner that a person comparing the two articles would only be further convinced (if indeed additional convincing were needed) that the Lake is a changeling. As an instance, the original article termed the stamp just that, the clumsy "rebuttal" having twisted changeling to "fake"—and the two words have such a different meaning that any philatelist misusing one for the other only proves his own incompetence to write on such a subject. There is no evidence that any 2c Panama-Pacifics were printed in lake; there is overwhelming evidence that many of the stamps after being printed, were changed to lake, probably for the most part by accidental application of heat which had no effect on the paper, so that consequently the whiteness of the paper is nothing upon which to judge the Lake changeling.

Another recent instance of this attitude is shown by the rudely couched rebuttal by a financially interested party to published articles on Colombia's alleged first air mail stamp. Here we have practically all the points ignored (incuding the one that the stamp would not have paid enough postage to carry an ordinary letter, not to mention an air-mail missive). The novel theory is advanced that if a postmaster without authority places his postmark upon a label which in turn is affixed to some envelopes carried (it apparently matters not where or why) by a plane, that makes the stamps air mail stamps and the envelopes air mail covers!

Philately for its own good cannot admit of the theory that past acceptance of a masquerading label compels us always to treat it as a postage stamp. Or that sale or purchase of such labels for large sums compels their continued recognition. We accept data which gives philatelic recognition to questioned items; therefore we are bound to also accept data which would force withdrawal of recognition of hitherto unquestioned items. The publisher of a catalog has a duty to see that his listings are correct, and most publishers take that attitude. None of us are infallible and he who refuses to admit error is possible, is only kidding himself. Let's give those who present new data a courteous hearing and judge their presentation by its merits, not by prejudices and the sound of the cash register's bell.

—R. R.

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Philately — a monologue

By JOHN W. BALL

(Philatelist ushers in invisible guest)

YES SIR, George, my racket is philately. . . . Yes, philately. Pronounced phil as in Philip, at as in atlas, and ely as in elygible. It means stamp collecting. . . . You know, postage stamps. Sit down here and I'll tell you all about it (motions invisible guest to chair). . . . What's that? You don't want to know all about it! Oh, I was that way myself at first. Now, as you see, I'm as looney as any of them. You'll learn to be looney—I mean, to like it, too. Just a minute while I get out my collection to show you (stoops, opens cabinet). You know, George, I've always said philately's the greatest game in the world for a business man. It quiets your . . . What! You're not a business man? Oh, that's right It seems that I'm always getting you mixed up with Mr. Van Swankler (give-up searching in cabinet, turns to George's chair). You know, the fellow with the mint copy of the 1863 Mauritius seven pence orchid, no watermark? . . . You don't know him? Oh, but you should! Why, that one stamp is worth twenty-three thousand four hundred sixty-two dollars and sixty-seven cents, not counting tax. And his collection! You won't believe me, but his collection is worth nearly— . . . You don't care what his collection is worth and my wife is calling us for dinner (listens)? So she is (raising his voice). We'll be out in a minute, dear. We're busy (in much lower tone). That ought to hold her for awhile. Now where was I? You don't know? You should, you were right here all the time. I guess I'll have to start all over. . . . What are you muttering about? Talk louder; I don't hear very well. . . . No, I didn't say anything about orchid pants—Oh! You must mean Mr. Van Swankler's Mauritius. You should see it. It has a picture of a newt— . . . No, not nude, newt-Newt-NEWT! . . . No, I'm not trying to insult you. I'm trying to tell you what was on that stamp. It had a newt and— . . . What is a newt? Don't you know what a newt is? . . . No? Well, a newt is a—a newt is a—(suddenly) Say! You haven't seen my collection of Azerbaijan bicolor charities. . . . What is an Azerbaijan? Azerbaijan is a country. Next to Georgia, you know. . . . You were born in Atlanta and you never heard of it? Well, you see, Georgia is in Asia. . . . When did they move it? Georgia—I mean, George—I'm ashamed of you. If you'd look on the map you'd see TWO Georgia's, one in Asia and one in the U. S. . . . But you haven't been drinking? George, tell me: what has your not drinking got to do with (stops abruptly, listens, then speaks loudly). All right, dear, I'll be there in a minute (lowers voice again). Thinks her precious dinner'll get cold in a minute. Humph! Now where was I? Oh, yes (goes over to cabinet, pulls out huge assortment of books and stamp accessories of all sizes, shapes, and colors. With difficulty he carries them over to the small table near George's chair. As he mentions each article he holds it up to the audience and the invisible George). Here is my collection. I'll tell you all about it. (Suppresses any remark George might be planning to make with an emphatic gesture.) You see, George (patronizingly), this is an album. This is a perforation gauge. This is a watermark detector. And THIS, George, I'll bet you can't guess what THIS is! . . . War? How could it be? Whatever connection has WAR got with this little slip of paper? . . . Not with the paper: with my incessant talking? Tell me, George: what has WAR got to do with my talking? . . . No, I've never heard. What did he say? What possible connection has war and General Sherman got with my stamp hinge? . . . No, I won't skip it. What did— (stops again, listens, then speaks loudly and impatiently). Oh, all right, dear. I'll be there in a minute (lowers voice but still speaks with petulance). Her and her old cold dinner. Divorce, huh? Trying to threaten me into— (His voice dies down to an angry mumble. Silence reigns for a few seconds. Suddenly he notices that the imaginary George is leaving. Immediately he is on his feet, "the obsequious employee," trying to get George to come back and sit down.)

What, George? Time for you to go? Without your dinner? And you haven't even looked at my stamps! You sit down and be still while I show you some. (Leafs through album) Here, George, look at this stamp from Inhambane! Isn't it pretty, George? Doesn't the pale pea-green blend beautifully with the brilliant purple, George? George! George! (rises in alarm, backs away from George fearfully) Speak to me, George! (rushes over to the chair, leans over. Then gives sigh of relief, wipes sweat from his brow with sleeve) Feeling better, old man? What happened? . . . What? (angrily) Sure I told you to be still, but not that still. My, what a scare you gave me. (Has become calm during last speech, now has evidently forgotten about the whole affair.) Now where were we, George? Oh, I know (snaps fingers). I was talking about that stamp from Inhambane. You simply must see my collection of rhinocerii cancellations from Inhambane, George. It's the best in the hemisphere, if I do say so. I'll get it out of the cabinet, George. (suiting action to words) You'll be thrilled to death. Here we are, George. (Turns to George, holds out another large book. Suddenly stiffens, drops the book spilling stamps all over the floor.) Why—Why—George! He's GONE! (sees one of George's gloves on the table, picks it up and rushes to window) George! George! You've lost one of your—(staggers, catches at window for support). Down the walk—George—and—my wife with a suitcase! (walks dejectedly over to chair, hangs head low and shakes it from side to side. He moans:) George! George! George!

(Curtain)

President Smetana Arrives

Lithuania's first and only President, Antanas Smetona, a familiar figure for many years on that country's stamps, arrived in New York City early in

March .Mr. Smetana came from Switzerland, where apparently he had fled upon Soviet occupation of Lithuania last summer. The *New York Times* says he plans to write a history covering the two decades of Lithuanian independence.

Dominicans Honor Exhibition

Although Canada itself has never issued special stamps to commemorate the annual Canadian National Exposition held late in the summer at Toronto, the Dominican Republic has announced it will issue commemorative stamps for this year's exposition which opens on August 21.

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Censor Marks Reported

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Dr. William E. Neff, Jr. sends an interesting group of covers, including one from Leading Aircraftsman John G. Parr, who was a prisoner in Tobruk when the Anzacs captured the town and greeted his fellows with "Welcome, pals, the town is yours!" as was described in a recent issue of LIFE. The cover bears current 10m. Egyptian stamp, cancelled with blue Anzac army postmark inscribed "ARMY P. O.," but date and balance of inscription illegible. Censor marking is a bluish rectangle with crown and eagle at top left and inscribed "PASSED BY R. A. F./CENSOR No. 123."

A Hong Kong cover containing advertising matter and unsealed, has 5c stamp neatly cancelled by an impression of the large double-ringed circular censor mark: "PASSED BY/CENSOR/HONG KONG/No. 6." In addition "6" is scrawled in pencil next to address.

Another Egyptian campaign cover has Egyptian stamps, cancelled with Second Brigade Headquarter P. O. cancel and has a square censor marking "PASSED/BY/UNIT/CENSOR." Another cover, with BASE P. O. postmark, no stamps, and no indication of point mailed, but evidently from an Anzac somewhere and has small rectangular violet censor marking of crown "PASSED BY CENSOR" and "No. 983."

A cover from the H. M. S. Hector (though where is not of course indicatted), has stamped in upper right in a single line inscription in black, without frame "PASSED FREE OF POSTAGE" and censor mark in blue "PASSED BY NAVAL CENSOR."

Dr. Neff also submits an air cover from Singapore, the cover being normal except it is inscribed in pen and ink at upper left "ON ACTIVE SERVICE R. A. A. F." and stamped with red unboxed marking in four lines, each separated by horizontal bar: "(eagle)/R. A. F./CENSOR/74."

The first Canadian cover with a censor label like that of other British territory was received the other day. The label was in black on white paper, sealing the end of the cover, in two lines "EXAMINED BY/CENSOR" with censor's number "C. 119" in lower right corner. This was on a letter from Halifax.

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Englewood, Colo.—The Englewood Enterprise in its March 13 edition devoted almost a full page to the Cherrelyn Stamp Club's March exhibition and meeting of the Colorado Federation of Stamp Clubs. One interesting item was explanation of origin of the club's name and the use of a picture of a horse car as club emblem on its stationery. It seems that at the turn of the century this local line was noted far and wide for the horse riding one platform of the car on the downhill return trip from Cherrelyn.

Springfield, Mo.—The second annual exhibition was a great success, the Ozark Mountain Stamp Club reports. S. P. A. President Vining addressed the banquet. The list of winners of the exhibition is too long to reprint here, but first and second Grand Awards went to President Dr. Don H. Silsby for his U. S. and Lee H. Cornell for Brazilian Dom Pedros.

Guiana Rarity Found

London's "Stamp Collecting" reports the surprising news that a copy of the very rare 2c stamp of the 1850 issue, Number One of that land of rare stamps, has been found in British Guiana. The surprise is that after many years of ransacking, and re-ransacking of Guiana homes and offices, another copy of any early issue should be found at this late date. A Chinese wine producer, James Soequan, is the fortunate owner. The last copy found sold at auction years ago for approximately $6500. The 2c stamp was intended for local delivered matter, but very few were used.

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Oakland Educational Program

Harry E. Gray, well known in the Bay district, commenced March 24 to conduct an evening educational stamp collecting program at the Oakland public school at 42nd and Broadway, Oakland, Calif. The classes are to last eight weeks, being held each Monday evening from 7:15 to 9:15 P. M., with enrollment fee of $1.00. The course is to include discussion on various phases of the hobby.

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As the Australian forces approach Tripoli, it appears almost certain that Italy will lose, at least temporarily, the last north African territory under its control. Tripoli has had a philatelic history fully as colorful as its political history. To Americans the town is remembered for that long ago exploit of young lieutenant Stephen Decatur in burning a captured American vessel under the guns of the native fort. Being quite close to Italy and a natural trade center, Italian merchants became prominent in the coastal Tripoli region, as they were in many north African towns. Eventually, an Italian post office was established at Tripoli, just

when is not clear, but evidently in the early 1870's. Ordinarily Italian stamps were used, but in 1873 a royal decree of the king of Italy called for providing all Italian post offices in foreign countries with regular Italian stamps overprinted "ESTERO" (foreign). These stamps were by terms of the decree the only ones to be used at these offices commencing on January 1, 1874. Tripoli was nominally Turkish and that government protested against establishment of Italian offices in its territory with consequent loss of revenue. But the other powers had post offices at important centers and the Italians demanded and received the same privilege.

Tripoli's first distinctive stamps did not appear until 1910, they being authorized by a royal decree of August 13, 1909 which extended the special stamp issues authorized in 1898 for other post offices. The current Italian stamps were overprinted "Tripoli di Barberia" and no first day of issue being decreed, appeared when ready. The Scott and Gibbons catalogues say these stamps were issued in 1910, so apparently there was considerable delay in providing them. The Estero stamps had not been in recent use at Tripoli, as the decree specifically mentioned that current Italian stamps identical with those of Italy were in use and should cease to be used when the new overprints were ready.

The origin of the name "Tripoli di Barberia" is a corruption of Land of the Berbers. Somehow the country and region became known generally as the Barbary Coast.

The Italians, like the rest of the European powers, were anxious to expand in Africa, but the Italians started a little late and consequently obtained only Eritrea on the Red Sea. They attemped to take over Ethiopia as well, but the Emperor Menelik practically annihilated an Italian army which in 1896 attemped the feat accomplished 40 years later. Friction with the Turkish government reached its height in September 1911 when Italy demanded cession of Tripoli and Cyrene —in fact all Turkish territory in Africa. In a brief war following the Turkish refusal, the Italians occupied the coastal regions. In the interior resistance was better organized amongst the Moslem natives and at one time, in 1916, the Italians were nearly forced to abandon Africa. Meantime Turkey by the treaty of October 18, 1912 had ceded the disputed regions along with Mediterranean islands.

The Italians with visions of restoration of the Roman Empire, recalled that the ancients had termed the coastal districts as well as the adjacent Libyan desert as "Libya", so promptly the new territories became again Libya (Libia). In 1912 Italy issued stamps overprinted with that name, and the Tripoli issues went into the discard. Modern Libia has included

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all territory between Egypt and French Tunis.

Then in 1923 the colony was divided into the administrative districts of Tripolitania and Cyrenaica and from that year each was provided with distinctive stamp issues. Meanwhile stamps were printed for Libia as a whole and these were issued and used concurrently in both districts. In 1935, they tired of this, possibly by the steady decline in philatelic interest, and since then only stamps inscribed "Libia" have been issued. Even these stamps were likely to have disappeared in favor of ordinary Italian stamps when about the same time it was decided to incorporate the colony as part of Italy. This remained vague and so separate stamps continued up to the British occupation. Tripoli has been the scene of annual agricultural fairs and this has accounted for annual series to encourage, advertise and finance these. The future status of Tripoli is uncertain.

Natives have murdered colonists in the interior and under British occupation the colony's trade with Rome is certain to end. For the first time in the history of philately, Australian stamps are being issued in Libia, for the field post offices of the occupying forces have carried their postal equipment with them. Most of Tripoli's future postal business is certain to be limited to mail to and from Australia and prisoner of war franked mail.

Possession of Unused Wine Stamps Legal

The Augusta Stamp Exchange of Augusta, Ga. advises that Deputy Commissioner Geo. J. Schoeneman, Treasury Department, in response to inquiry has replied that although Wine Stamps are issued only to persons with a registered liquor business, it has been held that possession by other parties of uncancelled (mint) Wine Stamps for purely philatelic purposes may be allowable. This is probably based on court decisions, referred to previously which upheld contention of owners (licensed purchasers and users) that they could dispose of the stamps to others. Two such cases at least are on record.

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The route is to replace service formerly supplied by railway post offices which have been discontinued. One of these was the Peru & Indianapolis R. P. O., whose discontinuance was announced in LINN'S in time for many of our readers to obtain last trip covers in 1938. This office was operated by the same traction company and with same cars as was the recently discontinued Fort Wayne & Newcastle R. P. O. described not long ago in our columns. The *Indianapolis Star* announced the new H. P. O. route in its March 18 morning edition, Postmaster General Walker having announced the service the preceding evening.

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THERE SEEMS TO BE LITTLE anti-reelection sentiment in stamp clubs when it's a case of reelection to office in their clubs. Take the Michigan Stamp Club for example where Zdzislaw Dworkowski has been elected Treasurer for twelve consecutive terms. We understand Z. D. has given up all hope of ever getting out of the chore.

IF YOU WANT TO GET COPIES OF the Food Stamp booklets you must be on relief. We wonder if anyone will take that step in order to obtain them for New Issue suppliers. That would be pretty drastic since they aren't postage stamps.

DESPITE THE NUMEROUS STAMP issues, Liberia doesn't have too many stamps for ordinary postal purposes it seems. Dr. William E. Neff, Jr. shows us a cover from a missionary there who mentioned hearing of a shortage of stamps and the cover gives some evidence of it, being franked with 3c on 5c 1936, two triangulars of the 1937 and 1938 series ordinary and air, plus 1c 1938 air, a 3c Commonwealth centenary, a 2c 1928 and finally a 1c revenue. Two of the stamps had evidently stuck to paper prior to being used, a common occurence down there with Liberian humidity what it is.

ALBUMS AND PHILATELIC ACCESsories from Britain now cost more at your dealer's due to imposition there of a 30% tax payable on purchaser, and the U. S. Customs charging its usual 33⅓% on the total of the above cost. Shipments are coming through quite regularly however.

PARTIES REQUESTING SPECIAL cancels on airmail to denote such carriage are ignoring the intent of the air service: to speed the mails. Often it is found speedier to route a letter by train, and this is done. Moreover, to reserve a special cancel for use on air mail would delay the mails when being faced and sorted at post offices. Please, let's remember the post office is intended to provide postal service, not a source of philatelic material. Particularly should this be remembered by those who request favors which would impede proper functioning of the service.

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Several dealers who issue house organs and auction catalogs have offered the use of their back pages to advertise the drive and as a result contributions are already pouring in to the headquarters which has been established at the office of Gordon R. Harmer, the secretary, at 551 5th Ave., New York, N. Y. Theodore E. Steinway, is the treasurer of the committee and all remittances should be made payable to him and mailed to the above address.

In addition to these two offices, John W. Nicklin is the chairman and Frederic R. Harris the vice chairman. The sponsoring committee, which is growing rapidly, now consists of many well known collectors and dealers.

Those who join the sponsoring committee agree to donate a mininum of $10.00 towards the expenses of operation. This enables the committee to turn over every cent that comes in in the form of donations for the purchase of the mobile food kitchens. Each contributor of $1.00 or more receives a handsome steel engraving of the first postage stamp inscribed "Contributor to the Philatelic Committee of the British War Relief Society, Inc." This souvenir, together with an official receipt for the amount donated, is sent directly by the headquarters of the British War Relief Society.

Scott Publications, Inc., have sent an appeal to all of the stamp dealers of the country, numbering over 4000, urging them to buy a minimum of 10 of these engravings to be sold to their customers.

In addition to this, the National Federation of Stamp Clubs has sent out a bulletin to all its Members enlisting their support in the movement.

Gimbel Brothers of New York are the first department store to feature the drive and they are planning a large display which will be supported by newspaper advertising.

Guinea Air Service

The recently inaugurated trans-Atlantic air service via Puerto Rico, Trinidad and Portuguese Guinea to Portugal is intended only as a temporary service, as postmasters in the United States have been warned not to accept mails for Guinea via this route after April 30. Rate is same as on other routes. Rate to Guinea has been set at 50c per half-ounce.

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1940's Postage Meters

The postage meter collector found the year 1940 a most interesting one. Three new types made their appearance and kept collectors alert trying to secure them for their albums. The first one, officially designated as KK, came into use early in the year. It was a radical change from its predecessor, the H4 or familiarly known as the Eagle type, and is often referred to as the streamlined meter. There is no semblance of perforations, and the eagle is facing to the right. The three stars over his head in H4 are missing, but there are 13 stars to the right of the indicia in the later numbers. This new type starts with No. 100,000, and already 102,000 has been seen, so meter salesmen have been busy this past year. The chief advantage is its speed, twice as fast as the H4. At first few slogans were used, but later they became more common, as many firms used the slogan they had with the new indicia which makes a new item for the collector.

The second type to appear is similar to the KK, but it is made by Postage Meter Company for use in Canada. In the 94,000 series, the crown is shown in the indicia, between the town circle and amount paid, but the new 140,000 series has no pretense of perforations, and the central design is the emblem of the country, the maple leaf. The earliest date I have seen is July 17.

The last one came into use late in the fall, and is a variation of the JW type or 6,000 series made by National Postal Meter Company. The first item I found is 7110 and bears the date of October 22. The town circle does not have the double lines as before, the inner line is incomplete and has two arcs between "New York" and "N.Y." The indicia is smaller and nearly square, and each upper corner has a star. The wording "Amount Paid" is left out entirely, and one set of wavy lines is missing. Slogans on this type have been rare, although 7106 uses one, "R for compressed air equipment" from New York City under date of December 6. One of these new meters, No. 7287, is in use in Windsor and I shall be glad to send one to any readers requesting one.

In June the second edition of Steiger's "Handbook of United States Postage Meters" was published. It is larger than the 1939 edition and is full of illustrated charts making the study of meters simple even for the novice.

Many postoffices installed postage meters in the parcel post sections, simplifying the mailing of a package both for the clerk and patron, as it eliminated the need for a drawer full of stamps, and this speeded up service in busy times. Collectors tried to secure these tapes and found that postmasters would happily oblige them if they accompanied their request with a stamped self-addressed envelope plus one cent apiece for each tape desired.

There was increased use of tax imprinting machines on cigarettes in states where a tax is levied. And as the year ended, Christmas slogans were much sought after.

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31	.07	70	.18	121	.01	165	.35	216	.20	261	.15	303*	.09	O2	.55	O50	.01
32	.01	71	.01	122	.02	166	.02	217	.20	262	.15	303A	.04	O3	.55	O51	.01
33	.02	72	.01	123	.02	167	.01	219	.25	263	.15	303A*	.12	O6	.10	O52	.01
34	.22	73	.06	124	.02	168	.01	220	.25	263*	.25	304	.03	O8	.35	O53	.01
35	.03	75	.03	125	.06	169	.01	221	.30	264	.03	304*	.14	O11	.75	O54	.01
36	.05	76	.03	126	.02	169*	.06	222	.30	266	.02	306	.06	O12	.02	O55	.02
38	.12	77	.01	127	.02	170	.01	223	.40	267	.12	306*	.18	O13	.04		
39	.01	78	.01	128	.01	171	.01	224	.40	267*	.40	307	.06	O14	.02	**SETS**	
40	.07	79	.01	129	.07	172	.01	225	.90	268	.02	307*	.21	O15	.01		
41	.12	80	.01	130	.25	173	.01	226	2.00	269	.02	309	.02	O16	.60	230/235*	1.00
42	.02	81	.01	131	.35	173*	.08	227	6.00	270	.03	310	.05	O17	.01	268/274*	.70
43	.01	82	.01	132	.02	174	.09	229	.20	271	.03	311	.02	O18	.12	290/292*	.14
44A	.25	83	.01	133	2.25	175	.01	230	.10	272	.20	312	.02	O19	.05	B1/10	.90
45	.01	84	.01	134	.10	176	.01	231	.03	273	.03	313	.02	O20	.01	B1/10*	1.50
46	.01	85	.07	135	.02	177	.01	232	.02	274	.05	314	.09	O21	.40	B12/20*	2.75
47	.01	86	.01	136	.08	177*	.12	233	.01	275	.02	B11*	4.50	O22	.01	B22/31	.70
48	.02	87	.01	138	.10	178	.01	234	.02	276	.02	B21	5.25	O23	.18	B32/36	.55
49	.02	88	.01	139	.01	179	.01	235	.06	277	.04	C6	.04	O24	.02	Q1-2*	1.85
50	.07	89	.01	140	.02	180	.01	236	.02	278	.02	C7	.16	O25	.03		
50*	.10	91	.04	141	.01	180*	.12	237	.01	279	.03	Q1	.32	O26	.50		
51*	.40	93	.01	142	.03	181	.01	238	.08	280	.01	Q2	.45	O27	.65		
				143	.03	182	.01	239	.02	281	.01	J1	.40	O27*	.60		
						183	.01	240	.02	282	.06	J3	.40	O28	.01		
						184	.01	241	.01	283	.13	J4	.90	O29	.03		

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During the latter part of March an unusual slogan was used in Augusta, Me., and read, "License your dog before April 1" with a picture of a dog. A similar slogan was used in Harrisburg, Pa., on 58088, "License your dog."

New Jersey produced two fine non-commercials, one from the state capitol at Trenton on September 23, "Your State Fair, Trenton, Sept. 22-28," and from Newark on Sept. 26, "Rose Capital of America."

A few collectors have specialized in Employment slogans as used by the different states. The general message was, "For qualified workers, Call . . . . State Employment Service." This was varied in some instances and most often emanated from the state capitol. I am interested to hear from collectors who have made a study of these.

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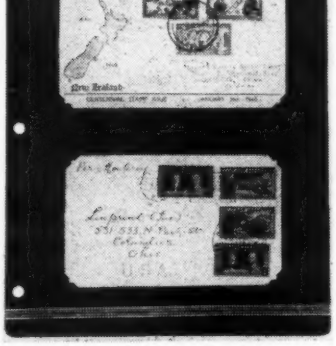

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New Book Received

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—Clipping dated February, 1893,
Submitted by Capt. Fred G. Meyers.

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April 8-9—General foreign, etc. H. R. Harmer, Inc., 32-34 E. 57th St., New York, City.

April 10—U. S., including wholesale lots. Wakonda Stamp Co., Dept. 52, P. O. Box 1792, Denver, Colo.

April 11—Mail sale, including airmails. The Stamp Studio, P. O. Box 11, Station W, New York, N. Y.

April 15—U. S. and foreign. Sosmos Stamp Co., 116L Nassau St., New York City.

April 18—U. S. Sale. Wakonda Stamp Co., P. O. Box 1792, Dept. 52, Denver, Colo.

April 19—U. S. and Possessions. Uptown Stamp Co., 140 W. 42nd St., New York City.

April 28-29—U. S. Proofs, Essays, Foreign. H. R. Harmer, Inc., 32-34 E. 57th St., New York City.

May 5-10—E. S. Knapp Collection. Parke-Bernet Galleries, Inc., 30 E. 57th St., New York City.

• A navy post office has been ordered established on board the U. S. S. Castor and U. S. S. William P. Biddle. Also as a branch of New York, the Second Marine Aircraft Group, Fleet Marine Force.

• In tiny letters may be seen the names "Khartoum" and "Berber" on the mail sacks carried by the camel postman as shown on the 1898-1903 Camel design stamps of Sudan.

• The Roumanian crown, depicted on the 1913 low value of that country was of steel, made from metal obtained from Turkish cannon captured in the war of 1877.

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POSTAGE STAMP PARADE

A Record of New Issues

By Ray Shepard
1529 Duxberry Ave., Columbus, Ohio

—Illustration courtesy J. Chas. Baxter of Columbus Citizen

BELGIUM—Parcel Post Stamps. During the invasion by the Nazis, a quantity of parcel post stamps were stolen from the various post offices. To offset their use, the authorities overprinted the under-noted stamps with a large "B" in an oval and announced that such stamps without this overprint would no longer be valid for postage. The color of the overprint in each case is noted after them in the list below:

PP12—10c. vermilion (blue)
PP12—20c. turquoise blue (red)
PP12—30c. brown (blue)
PP12—40c. olive-green (red)
PP12—50c. magenta (blue)
PP12—60c. orange (blue)
PP12—70c. brown (blue)
PP12—80c. violet (red)
PP12—90c. slate (red)
PP13— 1fr. ultramarine (red)
PP13— 2fr. olive-green (red)
PP13— 3fr. orange-red (blue)
PP13— 4fr. rose (blue)
PP13— 5fr. violet (red)
PP13— 6fr. bistre-brown (blue)
PP13— 7fr. orange (blue)
PP13— 8fr. deep brown (blue)
PP13— 9fr. red-violet (blue)
PP13—10fr. blue-green (red)
PP13—20fr. magenta (blue)
PP13—30fr. turquoise green (red)
PP13—40fr. gray (red)
PP13—50fr. bistre (blue)

(R. Roberts)

COLOMBIA—Air Post Stamps. A new series printed by the American Bank Note Company. The lower values are upright rectangular format, of small size, while the Peso values are large horizontal format:

5c. gray (Ancient Monument)
10c. orange ("El Dorado")
15c. carmine (Fort at Cartagena)
20c. light green (Old Bogota)
30c. blue (same as 5c.)
40c. red-violet (same as 10c.)
50c. deep green (same as 15c.)
60c. brown violet (same as 20c.)
80c. olive green (same as 5c.)
1P. blue & black (Declaration of Independence)
2P. orange & black (National Library)
3P. violet & black (same as 1P.)
5P. green & black (same as 2P.)

(Stamp Collecting)

ECUADOR—Postal Tax Stamp. Small horizontal rectangular format, engraved, unwmkd., perf. 13x13½:

PT17—5c. carmine rose (Farmer Plowing)

(Scott's Monthly Journal)

FRANCE—Semi-Postals. All are horizontal rectangular format, perf. 13, unwmkd.:

80c. plus 2F. gray-olive (Harvesting Wheat)
1F. plus 2F. red-brown (Sowing seed)
1.50F. plus 2F. purple (Picking grapes)
2.50F. plus 2F. deep green (Herd of Cattle)

Commemorative. Vertical format, honoring Guynemer and showing him resting on his airplane; perf. 13, unwmkd.

50fr. ultramarine

(L. A. Russell)

GREECE—Occupation of Albania. Perhaps we should list this as Albania—Greek occupation, however we trust our readers will understand. We are informed that Greek stamps have been overprinted "ELLINIKI DYIKISIS," for exclusive use in the territory of Albania occupied by Greek troops. It is stated that there are 25 stamps in the series, including Charity and Postage Due.

(Whitfield, King & Co.)

LIBERIA—A flood of overprints and surcharges have just been received from this republic. The stamps so treated are the three values issued in 1940 commemorating the Centenary of Colonization. The original set was chronicled by us August 31, 1940. The various provisionals follow with the color of the surcharge and overprint noted after each value:

Semi-Postals. The words "Red Cross Two Cents" and a cross have been placed on:

3c. blue (red)
5c brown (blue)
10c green (red)

Air Mail Semi-Postals. The same surcharge as above, with the addition of words "Air Mail," and an airplane, for airmail use, on:

3c. blue (red)
5c. brown (blue)
10c. green (red)

Special Delivery. Under-noted surcharged "Special Delivery" and "10 Cents 10":

5c brown (black)

Air Mail Special Delivery. Same surcharge as above, with the addition of words 'Air Mail" and an airplane:

5c. brown (black)

Registration Stamp. Surcharged "Registered" and "10 Cents 10" on:

5c. brown (black)

Air Mail Registration Stamp. Same surcharge as above, but with addition of words "Air Mail" and an airplane:

5c. brown (black)

Postage Stamp Centenary Commemoratives. Under-noted overprinted with a portrait of Sir Rowland Hill and words "Postage Stamp Centennial 1840-1940":

3c. blue (red)
5c. brow (blue)
10c. green (red)

Air Mail Postage Stamp Centenary Commemoratives. Same overprint as above, with addition of words "Air Mail" and an airplane:

3c. blue (red)
5c. brown (blue)
10c. green (red)

(The New York Times)

INDIA—New Value. Due to the change in rate for airmail postage, the under-noted value has been issued:

14a plum (King George VI)

(Whitfield, King & Co.)

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS—High Value. To go with the one chronicled by us December 14, 1940:

A15—$5 red & green on emerald

(L. A. Russell)

VENEZUELA—New Design. Small upright rectangular format, engraved, unwmkd., perf. 12:

A69—25c. light blue (Simon Bolivar on Horseback)

(Scott's Monthly Journal)

Provisional. We had not gotten around to noting the above stamp before it was surcharged with a new value. The overprinted is in four lines and reads "HABILITADO 1941 VALE BS. O.20":

A69—20c. on 25c. light blue

(The Stamp Mart)

VENEZUELA — Provisionals. Under-noted stamps have both been overprinted in two lines in black "HABILTADO 1940":

A51— 5c. deep violet (Nurse & Child)
A52—10c. dark slate green (River Scene)

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14b	2p	slate blue	1.50
16	2p	blue	1.00
17a	3p	emerald green	6.00
19	6p	brown	9.00
23	1p	orange	1.00
24	2p	blue	.50
25	3p	green	1.25
26	5p	green	100.00
27	6p	sage green	2.00
28	6p	brown	2.75
28a		Watermarked "8"	8.50
29	6p	gray	2.50
31	1sh	pale red	3.00
31a	1sh	red	10.00
32	1p	red	1.00
32a	1p	orange	1.50
33	2p	blue	.30
34	3p	green	5.00
34a	3p	yellow green	10.00
37a	3p	yellow green	.75
37b	3p	deep green	.75
37c		Watermarked "6"	1.00
38	5p	dark green	.60
38a	5p	yellow green	4.00
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BROADWAY Chatter

The American Stamp Dealers Association held a dinner dance at the Town Hall Club March 22. This affair served as a testimonial dinner to the dean of American philatelic auctioneers, Walter S. Scott.

The long awaited Hong Kong Centennial set has arrived in New York. As predicted the set continues the striking pictorial trend in recent British Colonials. A minimum of supplies came in, and as a result there will be a temporary shortage until the next boat arrives. Unlike the Pitcain's, boats arrive about every 5 to 6 weeks.

The Russian Government in a notice to certain New York wholesalers, have at last announced the withdrawal of a number of recent commemorative sets from sale. This announcement came as a result of a few wholesalers attempt to restock on many Russian sets. The Russian Government is one of the few remaining countries which actually cancel mint stamps to sell to foreign dealers at a price 1-3 the mint set.

H. R. Harmer, Inc., holding their first auction at their new quarters in New York, introduced a novelty to metropolitan auction buyers. The English U table was set up, and a girl displayed each individual lot to prospective bidders as the auctioneer was calling off the lots.

At the Parke-Bernet Galleries, Inc., the new idea of showing lots on a screen was tried out. The general consensus of all attending was that the idea proved a success and that with each additional sale better results will be had.

At all the various auctions attended by the writer this past week, lively bidding predominated. As explained many times before most of the good sets brought high prices because they are being sent back to Europe. In regard to U. S. stamps condition still was the dominant factor on the lots which yielded top prices.

The Liberian Consul, William Walker, has a lowered opinion of all stamp dealers in general. He is probably right as he has been the subject of much abuse by the so-called large dealers who demanded large quantities of the recent Liberian sets and were turned down. They were offered the same quantity as others received, but, they weren't good sports enough to accept his decision to give al an equal amount. They wanted to make some money out of their brethren.

Military Post Offices

The military program in the United States, in particular the draft, has caused establishment of a number of military camp post offices at the training centers. These offices are all branches of nearby post offices and mail to them must be so addressed. They include:

Air Corps, San Antonio, Texas; American Forces in Newfoundland, New York, N. Y.; Camp Beauregard, Alexandria, La.; Camp Blanding, Starke, Fla.; Borinquen Field, Puerto Rico; Camp Bowie, Brownwood, Tex.; Camp Claiborne, Alexandria, La.; Camp Edwards, Falmouth, Mass.; Camp Forrest (formerly Camp Peay), Tullahoma, Tenn.; Camp Hulen, Palacios, Tex.; Fort Jackson, Columbia, S. C.; Camp Livingston, Alexandria, La.; MacDill Field, Tampa, Fla.; Fort Monmouth, Red Bank, N. J.; Fort Ord, Monterey, Calif. ;Camp Joseph T. Robinson, Little Rock, Ark.; Camp San Luis Obispo, San Luis Obispo, Calif.; Scott Field, Belleville, Ill.; Camp Shelby, Hattiesburg, Miss., and Camp Stewart, Savannah, Ga.

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• Subscribers who posted letters from New York between Nov. 26 and Dec. 4, addressed to points in Britain, should duplicate their letters, Harry E. Hutton tells us.

• Gordon Memorial College, depicted on the Gordon commemorative of the Sudan, was erected with a fund of 100,000 pounds subscribed in a month from all over the British Empire and was opened by Lord Kitchener, who had suggested it, on Nov. 8, 1902.

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• March *Postal Markings* illustrates hat is thought to be the only Lindbergh rash cover, being an oil-stained envepe of a crash on November 3, 1926 hen the pilot was forced to take to his arachute after the plane exhausted its asoline during bad weather.

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By Kenneth M. Gierhart

Baltimore, Ohio

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—Rolston Lyon

SURPRISES

It seems that we are in to have some surprises sprung on us by the dear old Bureau in the matter of Defense issues. Already there is a high value defense item known that was not on any lists coming out of Washington. We cannot at this time divulge the stamp or place but will do so in a few weeks. We can account for these surprises from the fact that the Defense issue is supposed to be a regular issue and no doubt are not given any more attention or consideration than just that while in process of manufacturing.

MILWAUKEE 4½c

In the March issue of the OPTIMIST we note that the order for the 4½c Milwaukee Presidential was rescinded and never shipped. It would be well for those who have this stamp on their want list to remove it. There will be other items that will fall in their class from time to time.

BURLINGTON FLATS N. Y.

There are two items on the Presidential issue, the 1c and 1½c coils and both are on almost everyone's want list. The editor of the OPTIMIST gives these items an airing which they richly deserve no doubt, but that doesn't put those items in collector's books and still leaves the items in question mostly in the hands of the manipulators with collectors still at their mercy. If the situation cannot be remedied I suggest we protest to Washington and have a couple coils of each turned over to the P. S. S. for distribution to the members; and also methods to place items in the hands of precancel collectors not members of the P. S. S. And I am not foolin' either.

BELOIT MEET

Mr. L. L. Davis of Beloit, Wis. writes me that the Beloit Stamp Club is holding a two-day meeting April 26th and 27th at the Hilton Hotel. This is a Saturday and Sunday affair with a banquet Saturday evening. Although this is not a general precancel affair I am assured that there will be plenty of precancel collectors and precancel dealers there. Write L. L. Davis for further particulars. His address 925 St. Lawrence Ave.

ALBINO

Mr. R. Saffran of Mountain, Wis. showed me a stamp which was evidently at one time a nice precancel from Rock Island, Ill. but now with nothing but the precancellation Rock Island showing; the coloring of the stamp entirely dissipated, not enough left even to tell what denomination it was. The type was the familiar U-8 from Rock Island and I suspect the stamp was once a 6c of the 1922 issue. A novelty of course and nothing more.

NOTES

Norfolk, Va. 1c Defense Bureau; 2c Defense, Fairfield, O. U-121N; Yellow Springs, O. 3c in U-121;—I obtained a 10c President from Oakland, Calif. with the G error, also MW overprint.—A few of the 1c Alexandria, Va., prexies are circulating now.—The 1c Columbus Defense should be with us soon I am told.

APRIL MEET

The largest gathering of the winter season turned out for the March meeting of the Central Ohio Precancel Club. You are missing something by not attending. At the very least make your arrangements to take in at least one of the days of the coming April meet. 19th and 20th the date; Chittenden Hotel, Columbus, Ohio the place.

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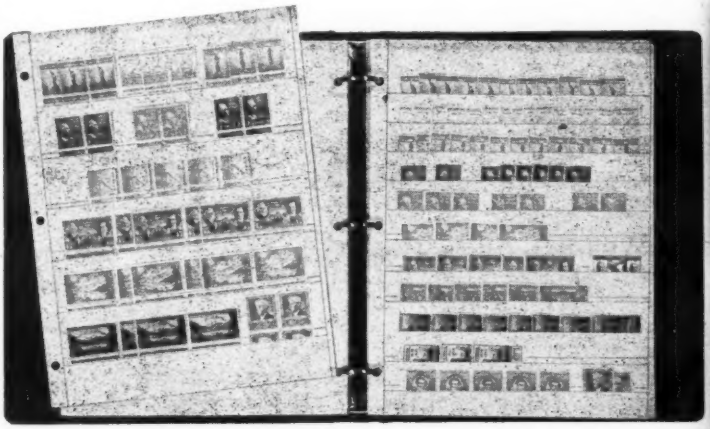

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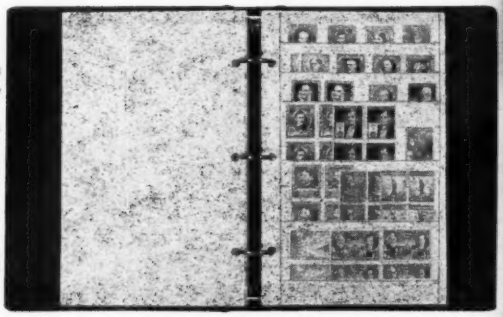

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